

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. NO. 3700-01
BILL NO. HB 1696
SUBJECT: Multi-Jurisdictional Anti-Fraud Enforcement Groups
TYPE: Original
DATE: February 17, 2000

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
General Revenue	\$0 to (Unknown*)	\$0 to (Unknown*)	\$0 to (Unknown*)
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0 to (Unknown*)	\$0 to (Unknown*)	\$0 to (Unknown*)

* SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATIONS - Could exceed \$100,00 in any given year.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
None			
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
Local Government	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Missouri Highway Patrol (MHP)**, **Office of State Auditor**, **Jefferson City Police Department**, and the **Department of Conservation** assume the proposed legislation would have no fiscal impact on their agencies.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Director's Office (DPS)** assume they would require 1 FTE Program Specialist to work with the antifraud task forces to ensure that funds are spent in accordance with the grant contracts, 1 FTE Program Representative to be responsible for monitoring the activities of the antifraud task forces, 1 FTE Clerk Typist III to provide clerical support to the program, 1 FTE Computer Information Technologist to provide technological support, and the related expense and equipment for each position. Over the past six years DPS has automated all of their grant programs and plan to automate this program.

Officials from the **Department of Natural Resources (DNR)** assume they are not considered to be a political subdivision nor part of a political subdivision. Therefore, DNR assumes their state park rangers are not authorized by this legislation to participate in a multijurisdictional antifraud enforcement group.

Oversight assumes the language of this proposal is permissive. Any fiscal impact would appear to be contingent upon whether any political subdivisions cooperate to form a multijurisdictional antifraud enforcement group and whether funds are made available by the general assembly.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
GENERAL REVENUE			
<u>Costs</u> - Department of Public Safety	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)
<u>Costs</u> - Grants to multijurisdictional antifraud enforcement groups *	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)

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FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government

FY 2001 FY 2002 FY 2003
(10 Mo.)

POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

	\$0 to Unknown	\$0 to Unknown	\$0 to Unknown
<u>Income</u> - Grants			

<u>Costs</u> - Operation of multijurisdictional antifraud enforcement groups	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)
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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact on small businesses would be expected due to this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation allows political subdivisions to form groups for the purpose of investigating fraudulent activities.

The proposal:

- (1) Defines a "multijurisdictional antifraud enforcement group" (MAEG) as a combination of political subdivisions that are formed, by ordinance, to investigate fraud (Sections 70.827, 70.829);
- (2) Grants officers authorized as MAEG members the power of arrest, which can be exercised anywhere in the state if notification is given to the authorities of the venue, unless exigent circumstances exist (Section 70.829);
- (3) Permits the formation of an MAEG across state lines, if permitted by the bordering state. Law enforcement officers from the bordering states may be deputized locally (Section 70.831); and
- (4) Makes MAEG units eligible for state grants for operating costs if certain conditions are met (Sections 70.831, 70.833).

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program, and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Public Safety
Director's Office
Missouri Highway Patrol
Office of State Auditor
Department of Natural Resources
Department of Conservation
Jefferson City Police Department

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeanne Jarrett". The signature is stylized with a large initial "J" and a cursive "e" at the end.

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Director
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